HB 2567 -- ETHICS

SPONSOR: McGaugh

This bill prohibits a person holding any compensated position with an organization that employs lobbyists registered with the Missouri Ethics Commission to hold a leadership office in either house of the General Assembly. Any person violating this provision may be subject to expulsion or other penalty under the rules of either house of the General Assembly, but must not be subject to any other fine or penalty.

A member of the General Assembly who personally acts, serves, or registers as a lobbyist or solicits clients to serve as a lobbyist during his or her term of office will be guilty of a class B misdemeanor and a second or subsequent offense is a class D felony until December 31, 2016, and a class E felony thereafter.

These provisions must not apply to Senators or Representatives who hold employment with an organization that employs other individuals as registered lobbyists to serve primarily on behalf of its clients.